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(SBU) This cable responds to Geneva's query on acceptable nomenclature for a World Trade Organization (WTO) Ministerial Council observer delegation from the Palestinian Authority (PA) (reftel). If questions over the nomenclature under which the delegation will be seated threaten support for the PA's latest request, the U.S. representative should advise that the WTO be guided by the precedent set at the 2005 Ministerial Council in Hong Kong, when Palestinian Authority was used. That said, the U.S. representative need not object to any nomenclature to which both the PA and Israel can agree.

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